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SIBERIAN EXILES.

Judge as we may, our estimates of what Russia may do in the future, or what her station and influence are to be, are at best but the merest speculation. The story of the "Plains and Prisons of Western Siberia," by George Kennan, now being published in the Century, reveals more distinctly than any other publication ever has, that really the Russian people and empire are in a formative state, and whether they are, by-and-by, to crystallize into a splendor commensurate with their mighty area, or whether the vast political system is to be broken up and the fragments recombined, as the crust of the earth has more than once been decomposed that it might the better be prepared for the support of man, who shall say? We read in this thrilling narrative of Siberian prisons; and are reminded of the endless thousands who make up the sad procession of prisoners that journey thitherward; we can in fancy hear the clank of their chains, and their blank, despairing faces are pictured to us by the cunning of the artist; we know that their walls have filled the vacant air for many generations, and we almost wonder that the thunderbolts of wrath do not fall on that land.

Yet, if we stop to think, we remember that this violence and hate and suffering are in accord with nature's rude way of bringing around deeper, sweeter and fuller mercies to mankind. Of course, the heavy darkness of the land still holds the gaze of the reigning house under a cloud. The czar cannot see what we can. How easy it would be for him to take away the terror that now surrounds his throne; how easy it would be for him to cause his empire to take a mighty advance among the nations of the earth, and to create for himself a fame for more enduring than that of the great Peter. If he had but the sense to call his wise men around him and bid them frame a constitution; if then he would call back his army from the western frontier, and have them build a railroad through Siberia, and would then apportion the crown lands to the people, taking their obligations to pay as they could. And if to these concessions he would send teachers to his people and offer small bounties for the best kept farm, and small prizes to children who make the best record in school; if through such means he would for ten years devote himself to building up a support to his throne on the eastern side of the Ural range and throughout his empire generally, he would perform a work which would find fruition fifty years hence in a nation as populous as the Chinese empire and all chanting his praises, and together forming a power which, compared with all others on earth, save our own republic, would make the rest seem merely as the pigmy does when he measures strength with the giant.

We are not sure that the Russians are not of a stock to take place beside the most advanced populations. They have superior physical and intellectual strength; an endurance that never tires, a courage that rarely falters. In the arts the most gifted are making wonderful strides; in literature some of the best books of the present century have been Russian. Then the people have room to expand in; there is space enough within the limits of that vast empire to support half the present population of the globe. If ever a sovereign arises there to whose soul the thought will come that through peace, intelligence and liberty, there are richer and more enduring conquests to be made than by the sword; under his rule Russia will in a little while be the leading power in the eastern hemisphere.

THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

The platform adopted in Chicago on Thursday is an unusually compendious statement of principles. Only a transitory importance attaches to such declarations, because it is understood that the shrewd politicians engaged in framing them simply aim to win approval, the subsequent policy of the party being determined by public exigency. The two issues dwelt on with the greatest emphasis are the tariff and the national revenue. Excessive taxation is the cause of much discontent, because it adds to the large surplus in the treasury and makes the cost of government unduly onerous. It sanctions a revision of the tariff to the extent of releasing from import duties such foreign articles (except luxuries) as do not conflict with our home industry. A repeal of the taxes on tobacco is also proposed, with a view to retrenchment primarily, and further because they are "an annoyance and burden to agriculture." This latter reason is somewhat forced. Should these reductions still leave an excess of revenue, "we then favor," says the resolution, "the entire repeal of the internal revenue taxes rather than surrender any part of our protective system." This free run doctrine is also favored by the prohibs, so on one measure, at least, these two parties are in entire accord.

A free and honest use of the ballot is demanded; the enforcement of the laws against the introduction of foreign contract labor is insisted on; all combinations of capital organized into trusts are denounced; and the policy of appropriating the public lands to be homesteads for citizen settlers is re-affirmed. With regard to the territories the platform pledges the republican party "to do all in its power to facilitate the admission to New Mexico, Wyoming, Idaho and Arizona to the enjoyment of self government as states" it also demands the passage of the bills before congress to confer statehood on North and South Dakota, Washington and Montana.

Cheap postage and free schools receive an encouraging word; more stringent legislation to divorce the political from the ecclesiastical power in Utah is promised; a bi-metallic currency, (as we mentioned yesterday), is approved, and public defenses and internal improvements recommended.

This long string of resolutions was listened to with great interest by the immense audience and was frequently applauded. The tariff plank, we are told, created much enthusiasm. It was unanimously adopted. The resolutions are carefully prepared, they enforce sound republican doctrine, and have a generous and progressive ring to them that will give heart and confidence to the party.

This is the fifth day of the convention and the nominations are not made yet. Five ballots have been taken, with a dozen favorite sons in the field, and no candidate has yet received support enough to warrant the belief that he will be the winner. On the last two ballots Alger and Harrison showed increasing strength, but beyond the withdrawal of Depew, no break has been made, and the shrewd ones at a distance are puzzled to tell how this tumultuous movement will result. Yesterday the republicans in our city felt pretty confident that Blaine would be the man, to-day their judgment is affected by possible combinations entered into the hotel corridors, and their late assurance is somewhat abated. To-day's proceedings have been dilatory and unimportant, and it is clear now the nominations will go over till next week.

Is the house of representatives, a few days since, the conference report on the Indian appropriation bill was adopted, which provides for a change of the place of sale of lands under the allotment law, from the La Grande district land office to the Umatilla agency. This will be a big thing for Pendleton.

East Oregonian.—Tom Bourke's warehouses contain an immense quantity of wool, aggregating considerably over a million pounds. Some of it is consigned for shipment, but by far the largest amount is placed there for storage, awaiting a stimulation and better prices in the wool market.

Trouble is anticipated in Grant county between owners of ranges and sheepmen. Range-owners are determined to protect themselves against roving bands of sheep by force of arms if necessary.

Cream soda, ice cream soda, milk shakes, lemonades, at Strong & Co.'s.

NEW TO-DAY.

Proposals for Supplies

The board of trustees of the Oregon State Insane Asylum hereby invite sealed proposals for furnishing at once a year near Salem, Oregon, the following supplies for six months, commencing July 1, 1888:

- GROCERIES.
- 3000 lbs Liverpool salt, fine.
 - 2000 " Soap, Kirk's Savon.
 - 100 " Sugar.
 - 400 " Dried peaches, machine dried.
 - 400 " Mackerel, No. 1, extra mess.
 - 720 " Tea, U. S. brand, Ponchong.
 - 500 " Tobacco, Rapidan brand.
 - 14 " Glass starch, (Pineapple Mfg. Co.)
 - 300 " Corn starch, (Oswego).
 - 300 " Soda crackers, extra fresh.
 - 300 " Raisins, California Layers.
 - 100 " German Serris's new process.
 - 5000 " Sugar, 7000 lbs Golden U, 3000 lbs Granulated.
 - 300 " Cheese, Cranston's, or as good.
 - 300 " Corn meal.
 - 1200 " Rolled oats.
 - 1300 " Coarse hominy.
 - 250 " Dried currants.
 - 50 " Cocoa.
 - 100 " Soda, Church & Co., A & H brand.
 - 100 " White castle soap, Contil.
 - 100 " Tapioca.
 - 12 doz. Brown, No. 1, extra shield.
 - 12 " Cans oysters, blue points, 2 lb.
 - 12 " Playing cards, Beaver brand.
 - 2 " Qrs. Worcestershire sa. ce, Lee & Per.
 - 1 " Qrs. Olive oil.
 - 500 gal. syrup, extra golden, American refined.
 - 300 " Clear vinegar, 40 gr. pure.
 - 100 " Coal oil, 50 gallon tanks Pearl brand.
 - 100 " Molasses, Orleans extra.
 - 2 1/2 gal wooden bowls, round.
 - 25 doz. whisk brooms, 2 string, velvet top.
 - 5 " Concentrated lye.
 - 5 " Turkey dusters, 14 inch.
- COFFEE.
- 1000 lbs. Costa Rica, 1st grade.
 - 125 " Government Java.
 - 50 " Mocha.
 - 400 " Chicory.
- SPICES.
- 150 lbs. Black pepper.
 - 20 " Mace.
 - 20 " Cinnamon.
 - 20 " Allspice.
 - 20 " Mustard.
 - 20 " Cloves. All standard ground.
- PLUMBING.
- 1 1/2 doz Jenkins valves, 3 1/2 inch, 6 1/2 inch.
 - 1 1/2 doz pressure reducing valve.
 - 1 doz 1/2 compression hose bib.
 - 3 " Elbows, 1/2 doz 2 inch, 2 doz 3/4 inch.
 - 17 1/2 doz 1/2 inch, 1 doz 3/4 inch.
 - 1 1/2 " Sockets, 1/2 doz 1/2 inch, 1 doz 3/4 inch.
 - 1 1/2 " Flues, 1 doz 3/8 inch, 1/2 doz 1/2 inch.
 - 50 feet 1 inch galvanized iron pipe.
 - 100 lbs sheet lead.
 - 15 " Solder.
 - 6 200 lb pressure gauges, 6 inch face.
- DRY GOODS.
- 75 gross buttons, 10 dress, 48 shirt, 30 coat, 10 pants, 1/2 each size.
 - 1 gross buttons, American.
 - 175 lbs Oregon yarn, all wool, 150 lbs white, 25 lbs blue.
 - 24 cards hooks and eyes.
 - 600 yds Canton flannel, Saahua XX.
 - 250 " Toweling, bleached, 16 inch.
 - 500 " Marcellus, York Mfg Co., checks.
 - 225 " Brown Denims, Amoskeag, 9 oz.
 - 50 " Corded blue sheeting, 36 inch.
 - 300 " Cabot A. Wright Mfg Co.
 - 800 " Martine stripes, Amoskeag.
 - 400 " Pequot sheeting, heavy (A), 36 inch.
 - 600 " Canvas duck, 8 oz, white.
 - 200 " Check flannel, Continental.
- HARDWARE.
- 1 nail puller.
 - 17 doz table knives, iron handles.
 - 9 " Table forks, iron handles.
 - 12 " Iron table spoons, tin plated.
 - 12 " Dinner bells.
 - 8 gross screws, 2 gr 2 1/2, No. 14, 2 gr 1 1/2, No. 12, 2 gr 1 1/2, No. 10, 2 gr 3/4, No. 7.
 - 8 packages wagon bolts, 1, 3-8x2 1/4; 1, 3-8x3 1/4; 1, 3-8x4 1/4.
 - 100 feet bar iron Norway, 30 ft 1/2x3/4; 30 ft 1/2x1; 40 ft 3/8x1 1/4.
 - 150 " Bar iron, Norway, 50 ft 3/8; 50 ft 1/2, 50 ft 3/4.
 - 1 blacksmith's vise, Peter Wright patent, 5 inch jaw.
 - 1 castor wrench, 8 inch.
 - 12 " Bellhangers players, 6 inches long.
 - 1 " Nippers No 4.
 - 5 doz packages tacks, 1, 6 oz; 2, 8 oz; 2, 12 oz.
 - 1 rubber drill, 12 inch handle.
 - 1 hand saw, H. Dixon, quality No 12, 5 tooth.
- PAINTS.
- 10 gallons boiled linseed oil.
 - 50 lbs Pioneer white lead.
 - 10 gallons turpentine.
- STATIONERY.
- 1 box stub pens, C C and Welch.
 - 4 " 404 pens, Gillott's.
 - 1 " London Indestructible Pen Co No 4.
 - 6 reams letter paper, Live Oak.
 - 3 qts ink, 2 qts Arnold's 1 qt Stafford's.
 - 5 doz lead pencils, Faber Nos 2 and 3.
 - 3 " Lead pencils, War tablet No 2.
 - 6 " Payson's indelible ink.
- CROCKERY.
- 24 doz tea cups without handles, w. g.
 - 24 " Saucers, w. g.
 - 24 " Soup plates, 7 inch, w. g.
 - 18 " Dinner plates, 7 inch, w. g.
 - 3 " 3 gallon pitchers, w. g.
 - 6 " Pie plates, w. g.
 - 12 " qt bowls, w. g.
 - 12 " Glass tumblers.
 - 12 " Vegetable dishes, 10 inch w. g.
 - 4 " Syrup pitchers, glass.
 - 3 " Salt cellars, glass.
 - 3 " Pepper boxes, glass.
 - 3 " Wash pitchers, w. g.
 - 12 " 3 gallon jugs, earthen.
 - 3 " Meat platters, 10 inch, w. g.
 - 7 " Sauce dishes, 5 inch, w. g.
 - 6 " Individual steamers.
- FLOUR.
- 200 to 300 barrels flour, best, roller process, to be delivered as required.
- SHOES AND LEATHER.
- 8 doz ladies' shoes, 24 pairs No 7; 24 pairs No 8; 24 pairs No 9; 12 pairs No 4; 12 pairs No 5 light.
 - 9 gross shoe laces, 4-4.
 - 6 doz shoe blacking.
 - 3 " Pairs men's heavy shoes, 8 to 12.
 - 3 " Pairs ladies' carpet slippers, 24.
 - 24 " Pairs 6, pairs 7.
 - 3 doz pairs boots, 6 pairs 8, 6 pairs 7, 12 pairs 9, 6 pairs 10, 6 pairs 11.
 - 1 side harness leather, heavy California, extra good.
 - 4 sides sole leather, 24 lbs each.
 - 1 lb shoe thread, No 2.
 - 6 bottles leather cement, Cook's S F, Cal.
 - 11 lbs brass nails, 4 lbs 1/2, 4 lbs 3/4, 2 lbs 1/2.
 - 2 lbs heel nails, 5 lbs 1/2, 2 lbs 1/2.
 - 2 doz pairs leather slippers, No 7.
- TINWARE.
- 12 doz pint cups.
 - 1 " Dish pans, 10 gallon, XXXX tin.
 - 1 " qt. dipper.
 - 5 doz buckets.
 - 1 doz wash tubs.
 - 1 " Crutch pans.
 - 1 " 1 gallon granite iron pitchers.
 - 1 " Flat skimmers, 3 inch.
 - 1 " Sifter, 4 to 7 inches.
 - 1 Granite iron stew pan, 12 qts.
 - 1 Porcelain kettle, 8 qts.
 - 9 Granite iron pans, 6 8 gallon; 5 12 gallon.
- MEATS.
- 300 lbs per day, more or less, of beef and mutton, as required, in equal parts of fore and hind quarters.
- DRUGS.
- 5 lbs aqua ammonia, conc.
 - 3 " Solution of iron for liniments.
 - 1 " F. F. E. acetate root, Squibbs.
 - 1 " colchicum seeds, Squibbs.
 - 1 " Rux vomica, root, Squibbs.
 - 1 " Rux vomica, seeds, Squibbs.
 - 1 " arnica flowers, P D & Co.
 - 1 " blood root, P D & Co.
 - 1 " Tinctura benedicti, P D & Co.
 - 1 " red cinchona, P D & Co.
 - 1 " Ipecac, P D & Co.
 - 1 " Licorice root, P D & Co.
 - 1 " Matico, P D & Co.
 - 1 " Squilla, P D & Co.
 - 1 " Sassafras comp. 2oz syrup, P D & Co.
 - 1 " muriatic acid, C P.

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